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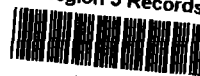
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Braun Seating
INN00050951

Ms. Jan Pels, SE-4J
Site Assessment Section
U.S. EPA, Region V
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Dear Ms. Pels:

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Re: Pre-CERCLIS Screening
Report for Braun Seating
Leiters Ford, Indiana
Fulton County

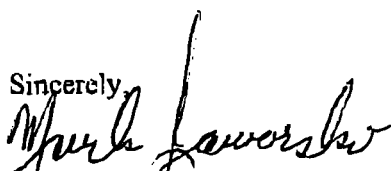
The site is located at 7346 County Road West 400 North. The site is located on the U.S.G.S. Kewana, Indiana, topographic Quadrangle in the far southwest corner of section 23 of Township 31North, Range 1 East.

The Braun Seating Inc. is owned by Brent and Drew Braun. In 1998, the brothers began operations at the former Leiters Ford Federal Mogul plant which had been empty for several months prior to April 6, 1998. Braun Seating manufactures seats for buses, for both private and public transit operations. One of the products that the company produces is a handicap access seat. Prior to Braun Seating, the plant building was operated by Federal Mogul. Federal made various car parts.

In 2001, IDEM's Drinking Water Section received groundwater sampling results from Braun Seating's on-site well that was used for drinking water by the facility's employees. The sampling results revealed that the drinking water contained 47 ug/l of tetrachloroethylene (PCE). The MCL for PCE is 5 ug/l. There are numerous residential wells located around this facility that may be impacted. Groundwater flow in the area is assumed to be in a north-northwest direction toward the town of Leiters Ford. All residents in the town of Leiters Ford obtain drinking water from private wells.

Should you have any questions regarding the contents of this correspondence, please contact me at (317) 233-2407.

Sincerely,


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